

REMARKS

Summary of Changes Made

The Application was filed with 36 claims. Claims 22-25 and 30-36 were previously canceled. A previous species election has resulted in the withdrawal of claims 2, 15, and 16, with the Examiner indicating that claim 1 is generic. Presently, claims 1, 3-14, 17-21 and 26-29 are canceled and new claims 37-66 are added herein.

The present cancellations and additions are in recognition of the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claims 14, 17, 19, and 21. The subject matter of such claims is presented, in new claims 37-39 and 59. It is believed that all new claims, claims 37-66 are generic, as all new claims contain both species, that of formula (I) and that of formula (II). The former three claims are presented in fully independent form, while claim 59 (subject matter of claim 21) depends from claim 37. The other new claims 40-58 and 60-66 capture subject matter of original claims, with ultimate dependencies changed to one of the four main claims noted as allowable (now rendered as 37, 38, 39, and 59). The following table presents the new claims and their equivalent original claims.

New Claim	Contains the subject matter of claims (old and new)
37	14 fully independent
38	17 fully independent
39	19 fully independent
40	4 (now dependent from 38)
41	4 (now dependent from 40)
42	5 (now dependent from 40)
43	6 (now dependent from 40)
44	7 (now dependent from 39)
45	8 (now dependent from 37)
46	8 (now dependent from 38)
47	8 (now dependent from 39)
48	9 (now dependent from 37)
49	9 (now dependent from 38)
50	9 (now dependent from 39)
51	10 (now dependent from 37)
52	10 (now dependent from 39)

53	11 (now dependent from 51)
54	12 (now dependent from 53)
55	20 (now dependent from 37)
56	20 (now dependent from 39)
57	21 (now dependent from 37)
58	21 (now dependent from 38)
59	21 (now dependent from 39)
60	26 (now dependent from 37)
61	26 (now dependent from 38)
62	26 (now dependent from 39)
63	27 (now dependent from 60)
64	28 (now dependent from 37)
65	28 (now dependent from 38)
66	28 (now dependent from 39)

Accordingly, claims 2, 15, 16, and 37-66 (33 claims) remain pending in the application.
 No new matter is added herewith.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. 102(b)- (Hierstetter)

Claims 1, 3-4, 6-7, 10-11, and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Hierstetter et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,990,334.

The Examiner will note that such claims are canceled rendering the rejection moot.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. 102(b)- (Westall)

Claims 1, 3-4, 6-13, 18, and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Westall, U.S. Patent No. 4,417,066.

The Examiner will note that such claims are canceled rendering the rejection moot.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. 103(a) – (Westall)

Claims 26-29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Westall.
 The Examiner will note that such claims are canceled rendering the rejection moot.

Claim Rejections – Double Patenting

Claims 1, 4, 7, and 13 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting over claims 1 and 5 of copending Application No. 11/909,621, and over claim 1 of copending Application No. 11/909,723.

The Examiner will note that the noted claims have been canceled herein thus rendering the rejections moot.

New Claims

The Examiner will note that new claims 37-66 have been added. Claims 37-39 capture the subject matter of original claims 14, 17, and 19, each in fully independent form. New claim 59 captures the subject matter of original claim 21, cast as dependent from new claim 37. The subject matter of these four claims was indicated as allowable. All other claims ultimately depend from one of claims 37-39. Hence, the newly added claims are believed to be allowable.

CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, the Applicants respectfully request entry of the instant amendment and a Notice of Allowability for claims 2, 15, 16, and 37-66. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application. If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 18-0160, our Order No. GEB-16311.

Respectfully submitted,

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